

## ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

The present invention is an image file selection method of selecting multiple image files available for composing a panoramic image from a plurality of image files including image data and image attribute information which includes positional information representing a geographical position at a time of photographing. The method includes the steps of: (a) reading out the positional information from each of the plurality of image files; and (b) selecting multiple image files photographed at geographical positions within a predetermined distance as the multiple image files available for composing the panoramic image based on the positional information.